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ABSTRACT

A process for preparing calcium silicate articles having a bulk density of 0.3 to 0.9 g/cm³ including the steps of mixing a major portion of calcium silicate and minor portions of anhydrous calcium aluminosilicate or its analogue, a reinforcing fiber and a polymer binder in water to give an aqueous slurry, molding the slurry into a desired for, and drying the molded slurry at 100°–180° C.

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